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SUBJECT: GUATEMALA-BELIZE

1. IN THE COURSE OF OUR LONG TALK ON JULY 5 I ASKED THE FOREIGN MINISTER IF HE HAD ANYTHING TO PASS ON FROM HIS VISIT TO GUATEMALA. DE LA PUENTE SAID LAUGERUD AND MOLINA WERE ENCOURAGED AND CALMED BY YOUR MESSAGE THROUGH HIM TO THE EFFECT THAT THE SECRETARY HAD INTERESTED HIMSELF PERSONALLY IN THE EFFORT TO ASSURE BRITISH UNDERSTANDING AND MODERATION.

2. THE FOREIGN MINISTER THEN DETAILED AT LENGTH THE GUATEMALAN POSITION AS CONVEYED TO HIM BY LAUGERUD AND MOLINA. IT ALL CAME DOWN TO THE SAME FAMILIAR REQUIREMENT FOR SOME TERRITORIAL CONCESSION IN THE SOUTH. DE LA PUENTE SAID HE WAS PURSUADED THAT THE GUATEMALANS WUULD COMMIT THE "ULTIMATE FOOLISHNESS" IF THE BRITISH UNILATERALLY GRANTED INDEPENDENCE. I SAID I THOUGHT SO TOO. SHLAUDEMAN

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